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UM WRESTLERS HAVE GREAT WEEKEND
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The UM wrestling team performed at its fullest capabilities last weekend, defeating defending NAIA champ, Eastern Washington, 34-9 and then stomping intrastate rival Montana State 46-0.

"We finally wrestled to our capabilities," coach John Jerrim said. "We didn't really wrestle above ourselves, we are just putting things together. Our conditioning is coming and we are doing relatively well in comparative competition. And there is plenty of enthusiasm among the team. That always helps," Jerrim said.

Only two UM wrestlers lost matches in the two dual meets. Winning the Grizzly wrestler of the week award was the man who started it off for the Grizzlies in both wins, Glen Nelson.

Nelson recorded falls in both duals, putting EW's Ken Foss to the mat in 7:31 and MSU's Tom Solan down in 3:08. Nelson, runner-up in the Big Sky at 118 last year, is now 9-8-1.

Jerrim cited 150 pounder Neal Nix's match at Bozeman as the best single performance of the weekind. Nix was down 7-0 and came back to win 8-7. "That kind of performance shows a lot of guts. It was a championship-caliber performance," Jerrim said.

The Big Sky tourney is less than a month away and Jerrim's squad is getting ready. "Our goal is to continue to make progress and concentrate. Each individual is continuing to refine his skills. We aren't trying new things, now, we are just working on what we do best," Jerrim said.

As for the Big Sky, Jerrim said, "We're equal or a little bit better than last year. How well we do depends on the improvement of the other teams. I feel we could finish anywhere from first to fourth. Idaho State, Boise State, Weber State and our

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club all are contenders."

This week UM travels to Pullman for a dual with Washington State on Saturday at 2 p.m. UM competed in the Portland State tourney in which WSU was also entered. Jerrin figures the dual to be a toss-up.

Current varsity records:

118- Glen Nelson (9-8-1)

126- Tim Owen (15-9)

134- Otis Price (10-6)

142- Gary Murphy (14-8-1)

150- Nel Nix (5-3)

158- Lamont Roth (17-7-1)

167- Jim Clowes (12-7-1)

177- Dan Hanley (1-1)

190- Scott Morton (9-3)

Hwt- Mike Pantzlaff(7-8)

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